Lower Paxton Township

Community Engagement Committee

Meeting Notes - April 20, 2022

Members in Attendance

Jim Seidler Pat Crawford Members Absent

Also in Attendance

Stan Smith

Denise Hussar Bob MacIntyre Sandy McKeehan Rachelle Scott, Staff Liaison

CALL TO ORDER

There were not enough members in attendance to conduct a meeting, however those that were present discussed several items. Room 174 of the Lower Paxton Township Municipal Center, 425 Prince Street, Harrisburg.

MINUTES

No action was taken on meeting minutes.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

9th ANNUAL ARTS & PARKS 5K "MUSIC IN THE PARK"

Sponsor Updates

Ms. Scott stated that the sponsor total at this time is \$2755. She added that she will reach out to Members 1st and HRG soon. Ms. Crawford emailed Kristen Richey at Comcast but hasn't heard back from her. Mr. Seidler asked about a deadline for sponsors to join and be recognized. Ms. Scott stated that the t-shirts will be ordered in June and sponsors can be added to social media promotions easily.

Emcee

It is time to reach out to Valerie Pritchett to see if she would be the emcee again this year. She has done it every year and people look forward to seeing her there.

Race Participants

There are 4 runners registered so far.

Sound Garden Musical Playground Instruments

Ms. Scott stated that there has been \$450 received so far in memory of Mary Grace Newsome.

Canned Jams

There is a Boy Scout wanting to host a benefit concert as part of his Eagle project. He would like it to benefit the Parks and Recreation Department and the Central PA Food Bank. He is collecting

canned goods and he is soliciting sponsors for the concert and his goal is \$2500 to donate towards the sound garden. He has raised some already, and he will be working with the LP Foundation.

Ms. Scott noted that when he came to her initially, he wanted to donate to the Parks, but she explained to him that we have discovered people are more receptive to donating towards a specific item or cause, so they agreed to focus his efforts on the sound garden. She was also able to help him set his goals and make a few connections. The concert will be August 13th this year.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Easter EggStravaganza

Mr. Seidler stated that Easter EggStravaganza was very well attended, there were hundreds of people there. He ran on the treadmill to draw attention to the race and Stan was there to distribute flyers and musical toys.

Kite Festival

The kite festival is scheduled for April 24, 2022. Mr. Seidler will be there as a judge again.

Concerts

At the next meeting, members can decide who will attend each to talk with people about the race.

FUNDING REQUESTS

Possibility Place Mural

Ms. Crawford will be submitting a request for funding to use for the award for the winner of their art contest. The Arts Council will budget \$750 for the other portions of the sign replacement.

She explained that the Arts Council is proposing an art contest, where artists submit a design to replace the original Possibility Place sign. They would like to give \$1000 to the winner, in hopes that a local student or local artist will participate. The artist will produce the original art so it can be reproduced and enlarged to fit the sign location. The Arts Council will write up the parameters, dimensions, etc of the submission.

OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business to discuss.

ADJOURNMENT

The discussion ended at 4:35 pm. The next meeting of the Community Engagement Committee is scheduled for Wednesday, May 18, 2022, at 4:00 pm in Room 174 of the Municipal Center.

Respectfully Submitted,

Michelle Hiner, Recording Secretary